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FOUR STAR GENERAL DANIEL JAMES JR. VISITS MCCHORD A.F.B.

General James addressing his honored squadron, 318th Fighter Squadron. Photo by James Henderson

General James and Roger O. Laskey discussing the old days in Lockbourne, Ohio and unidentified T.N.T. writer.

The TACOMA FACTS received a formal invitation to attend a press conference held by General Daniel James, Jr. on January 24, 1976. General James is Commander of the North American Air Defense Command. Mr. Fitzgerald Beaver, Publisher and Editor of the FACTS Newspapers, assigned Mr. James Henderson, Operations Officer, and Mr. Roger O. Laskey, staff writer, to cover the event. We arrived at the main gate and were presented with the proper credentials to be on base. Arriving at the 318th Fighter Interceptor Squadron building, we were received by Don Malcaluso, Captain, USAF, Director of Information/ Public Arrairs and his Staff, and were given VIP treatment and personal introductions. Arriving about the same time was our own Tacoma Mayor Gordon Johnston. We were presented with a package that contained General James' biography, a NORAD brochure, Hughes Trophy information and the map of McChord A.F.B.

General James visited one of his prize-winning units at McChord Air Force Base Saturday as Commander of the North American Air Defense Command, and the nation's first and only black four-star general offered his own congratulations to the 318th Fighter Interceptor Squadron as it was presented the Hughes Aircraft Company's Achievement Award. The trophy honors the outstanding U.S. Air Force squadron in the country. Equality in the military, and the POW-MIA issues were also touched on by General James before he moved to the formal ceremonies on the flightline. An Air Force officer since 1943, and a four-star general since September, the General praised the military for "eliminating institutional racism." "If the civilian sector would catch up to the military in this respect we'd be a lot better off," commented the General.

For a few minutes General James and myself talked about the years 1947, 1948 and 1949 at Lockbourne A.F.B. in Columbus, Ohio, when we were stationed under then-Colonel B.O. Davis. He was a Lt. and I was a corporal. He also brought me up to date on some of the others in high ranks and their achievements. Quizzed about how many black generals there were, he said he did not know and was no longer able to name all of the black military generals. James said the Air Force now has vie or six and the Army as many as 20.

Joined by Tacoma Mayor Gordon Johnston on the speaker's platform as he spoke to members of the 318th, General James told the airmen: "As warriors we are dedicated to the cause of peace but we won't accept peace at any price. It is the height of indignity to feel nothing is worth fighting for". Interviewing the General was one of my finest moments in life. He has humor, his remarks are warm, and understanding. He seems to have deep respect for his airmen and he's a general among general's.

General James pondering questions on prisoners of war. Photo by James Henderson

Seattle Octogenarian Special Guest At Ceremony

U.S. ARMY NURSE CORPS 75 YEARS OLD ON FEBRUARY 2, 1976

TACOMA, WA (26 Jan 1976) - Mrs. Aileen Cole Stewart, 80-year-old Seattle resident and one of the first Black nurses to serve in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, presented official proclamations from the governors of five states declaring February 2, 1976 Army Nurse Corps Day. Ceremonies were held that day at the Madigan Army Medical Center near Tacoma to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Army Nurse Corps.

Brigadier General Spencer B. Reid, commanding officer of the Madigan Center, and Colonel Barbara Costello, chief nurse, hosted an open house from 2 PM until 4 PM at the Red Cross Lounge at the medical complex.

Mrs. Stewart was the honored guest at the ceremonies. Now 80-years-old, she was part of the first group of Black nurses to serve in the Army Nurse Corps. After service in the Army, Mrs. Stewart spent a long career with the Public Health Service. She moved to the Pacific Northwest after retirement and entered the University of Washington, graduating at age 68 from the Public Health Nursing Course.

The ceremonies included brief talks by Mrs. Stewart, General Reid, and Colonel Costello. Cake-cutting ceremonies concluded the birthday celebration which honors the long and distinguished service of the Corps.

On its 75th anniversary the Army Nurse Corps has more than 3,700 men and women in its ranks. Since 1775, Army nurses have cared for the sick and wounded in peace and war. They have provided special care for American soldiers from Valley Forge to Viet Nam. In addition, they have given aid to survivors of natural disasters around the world.

In spite of its history, the Army Nurse Corps did not become a part of the Army Medical Department until 1901. But even then its members were not accorded rank, officer status, equal pay, or Army benefits.

After World War I, officer rank and some retirement benefits were granted but pay and allowances still remained far below those of other officers. Finally, in 1947, members of the Army Nurse Corps were commissioned as officers in the Regular Army.

Today, 75 years since they were officially recognized as part of the Army and 200 years since they first began service to the Army, the Army Nurse Corps is a professional body of men and women, dedicated to providing the best possible nursing care to all soldiers and their families.

Immunization Survey of Two-Year-Olds Begins

OLYMPIA -- Parents of 766 two-year-olds throughout the state will receive Immunization Questionnaires from the Department of Social and Health Services this week.

John A. Beare, M.D., director of the Health Services Division, said today that questionnaires will be mailed February 2 to parents of children randomly selected from Washington State birth records of January and February 1974.

These children were selected out of the 7,745 babies born during that period to provide a statistically valid sample if immunization levels in this age group.

Beare said the purpose of the survey is to assist in planning future immunization programs by showing how immunization levels may relate to age group and population. He urged parents to check with their physicians and/or local health department records in order to complete the questionnaires accurately.

Return envelopes with postage prepaid are included with the questionnaires. Parents who have not yet secured all of the recommended immunizations for their two-year-olds are urged to return the questionnaires along with those who have completed the series. Follow-ups at two-week intervals will be scheduled if necessary to assure completion of the survey.

Free Income Tax Help

Free income tax assistance will be available to Pierce County low income families for the next 10 weeks through the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program.

The service is being provided two days a week in three locations, according to project advisor Dr. Dwight Zulauf. Trained tax assistance volunteers will be on duty at the Pierce County Community Action Agency (Parkland Multi-Purpose Center), 403 Garfield, Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will be at the Lakewood Lighthouse, 9618 Gravelly Lake Drive, Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., and at the Martin Luther King Ecumenical Center, 712 S. 14th, Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Thirty-two trained student volunteers from Pacific lutheran University are providing the VITA manpower, Zulauf, a PLU professor of business administration, explained. "They have each received 24 hours of instruction from the Internal Revenue Service," he said. "In addition, an IRS volunteer will be on hand at each location to assist with any unusual problems," he added.

Many of the student volunteers are members of the PLU chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, national accounting honorary. Cherryl Carlson of Tacoma is the student coordinator.

Zulauf explained that the VITA volunteers are trained to assist primarily those families and individuals whose income was less than $8,000 last year. "The new tax laws provide some advantages for those persons which are not widely understood," he added.

In some cases, he indicated, persons with dependents may qualify for a refund even though they have not had taxes withheld.

Persons interested in the tax assistance service are encouraged to call one of the agencies listed above for further information.

Fitzgerald Beaver

Right On... FROM THE PUBLISHER'S PEN

I SHALL PASS THIS WAY BUT ONCE THEREFORE ANY GOOD THAT I CAN DO OR ANY KINDNESS THAT I CAN SHOW LET ME DO IT NOW FOR I SHALL NOT PASS THIS WAY AGAIN.

In February 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was founded and as of December 31, 1974 well over 4 million youths belong to and participate in scouting programs. Along with this group there are large numbers of men and women who are involved in a serious pursuit -- the shaping and molding of the characters of young boys and girls. The future Americans.

Most of us see scouts occasionally, in parades and flag waving ceremonies, but there's more to scouting than this. Believe me, having been a Cub and Boy Scout, the merit honor system is just that, as a cub or boy scout moves up the ranks in this organization....he earns it. This system is based on the relationship between one man and one boy scout. An adult with experience and proficiency in an area, is called upon to lend his expertise in guiding a scout who must work and acquire this knowledge before he is awarded this badge of merit. Only by proven achievement can a scout advance.

While learning various indoor and outdoor skills including swimming and how to survive in nature, he also is carefully and precisely taught how to be a man (or in girl scouting, a woman). He learns that his word, once given, means something. He learns fairness in dealing with others and respect for his family, his church and his country.

For the adults, there's the accomplishment of not only doing something worthwhile, but the thrill of providing good and sound leadership to those who must have it. Those who long for truth and guidance.

In previous columns, attention has been directed to the need to return to basic values in this country. After all, this is what America has always done during periods of stress.

Many such basic values are exemplified by the scouting program.

It's especially consoling to note that yes, there are large numbers of young people who are being taught the precepts of the Golden Rule. And yes, there are adults who labor in love to teach fair play ahd honesty.

The American way hasn't failed after all. It's those that shamefully have led us in deceit and secrecy that have.

What better way is there, to change all of this, and to mold the future, than to teach our young how to be good and fair, a lesson that some of us neglected to learn.

Senate Pages

Meghan Mann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mann of 3601 East Cherry, Seattle, and Sonja Fleming, daughter of Senatory and Mrs. George Fleming of 1100 Lake Washington Boulevard South, Seattle served as Senate Pages during the week of January 26. Both girls attend St. Teresa School.

It's That Time Again

What happens between New Year's Day and Ground Hog Day? Besides the breaking of resolutions?

If you guessed Camp Fire candy sale, you're right. Starting January 31 and continuing through February 18, over 3,000 girls in Tacoma alone will be selling mints and Almond Roca to raise money for camp.

Proceeds from the candy sale go to provide camp facilities and equipment, Camp Fire activities for girls of all ages, and to lower the cost of attending camp.

Anyone missing the Camp Fire candy sale in their area can still obtain candy by calling Camp Fire headquarters at 627-8153.

Focus on Blacks in Tacoma

The Asberry Cultural Club invites the public to the Bicentennial Commemoration of Black History Week at the City Association of Colored Women's Clubs, 2316 South Yakima. The celebration will take place on Saturday, February 14, 1976 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Lunch will be from 1:00 to 4:00 and the program will be seen at 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The event will include exhibits, a bake sale and general fun. Come and learn about the early Black settlers in Tacoma.

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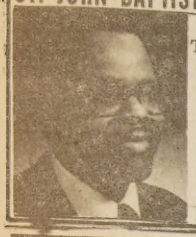

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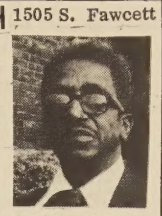

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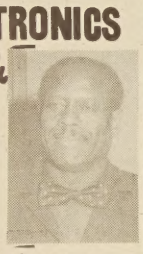

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Black Journal Celebrates Eighth Season

A SALUTE AND HONOR -- Dick Gregory, left, famous social satirist, congratulates Tony Brown, right, host and executive producer of Black Journal, during a salute reception recently staged in the Penthouse-Roof of New York's St. Regis-Sheraton in honor of the eighth season of the nationally televised show. Sam Hall, Manager, Communications Programs, Pepsi-Cola Company, underwriters for Black Journal's 1976 season and sponsor of the gala affair, adds his congratulations. During the event, which drew more than six hundred friends of Black Journal from across the country, Gregory was honored for this contributions to the series last year as a co-host. Similarly honored were Melba Moore, Cleavon Little, Melvin Van Peebles, Diahann Carroll and Clifton Davis.

Black History at TCC

Black history week at Tacoma Community College features entertainment and exhibits from schools throughout the area in the TCC theater.

Events start at 11:30 a.m. Monday, February 9, with poetry and a play by Ron Jackson, as well as a Black art exhibit.

Tuesday, starting at 11:30 a.m. , students from McCarver Grade School and Lincoln High School will be presenting poems, songs and dances. Gospel groups from the Tacoma area will sing.

Wednesday, February 11, also at 11:30 a.m. in the theater, African drum and dance group from Wilson High School, plus a play, poems and songs by students from Washington High School will be presented.

Thursday, starting at 2:30 p.m. in the theater, the Fox Follies Production will stage "Red, White and Blues," a musical review of the times. Fox Follies is a professional performing group from Seattle. Admission is a one dollar donation.

Friday, starting at 11:30 a.m., a soul food dinner will be served in Building 15. An art exhibit and music will provide background for the dinner cooked by TCC students. The dinner will cost one dollar a plate.

Black Unemployment Rate Unchanged In Fourth Quarter of 1975, BLS Reports

WASHINGTON--The unemployment rates for both blacks (Negro and other races) and whites were unchanged in the fourth quarter of 1975 at levels somewhat below their second quarter peaks, the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported.

In the fourth quarter of 1975, the unemployment rate for black workers was 13.9 percent and for white workers 7.7 percent, compared with black-white second quarter peaks of 14.3 and 8.2 percent respectively.

Black-white unemployment rate differentials clearly illustrate the disproportionate distribution of total joblessness.

On an overall basis, the ratio of these jobless rates was 1.8 to 1.

However, the rates among black adult men (12.1 percent) and black teenagers (35.6 percent) were about twice the rates among their white counterparts (6.2 and 17.5 percent respectively).

The black-white differential among women was somewhat less--one and a half times as great--(12.1 percent versus 7.4 percent).

Even though blacks constituted less than 12 percent of the nation's labor force, they accounted for 19 percent of the unemployed. Moreover they represented a much greater percentage--over 30 percent--of the number of discouraged workers. These are workers who have given up the job search because they think no jobs are available.

Among Vietnam-era veterans, the unemployment rate for 20-34 year-old blacks in the fourth quarter, at 16.9 percent, not seasonally adjusted was well above the 11.9 percent rate of a year earlier. The rate for white veterans was also up over the year, with the increase being proportionally similar to that for black veterans.

Among other highlights of the nation's employment situation in the fourth quarter of 1975, reported in BLS' "Labor Force Developments: Fourth Quarter 1975" were these:

-- Employment rose slightly and unemployment was unchanged from the third quarter. The overall unemployment rate remained at 8.4 percent.

-- The jobless rate for male family heads declined, but the rate for female family heads rose.

-- Unemployment among all worker groups, including persons of Spanish origin, veterans, and residents of poverty and nonpoverty areas was higher in the fourth quarter of 1975 than a year earlier.

-- The number of discouraged workers dropped below the million mark for the first time since the fourth quarter of 1974.

The quarterly report provides an analysis of overall trends in the nation's labor force--seasonally adjusted, except where specified--and includes data for some worker groups not published on a monthly basis.

The System Charged With Creating Unrest, Violence and Murder

The Senate Intelligence Committee has documented FBI activity that resulted in deaths of two UCLA black students and two young black political activists in San Diego.

We're convinced that what has been disclosed to Congress is only the tip of the iceberg of a planned program to promote unrest, violence and murder in black communities by local and federal law enforcement agencies.

We're also convinced that the planned program to promote unrest, violence and murder included rival black gangs as well as rival black political factions.

We charge that since the Watts revolt drugs, guns and ammunition have been freely imported into the Los Angeles black community to promote unrest, violence and murder.

We further charge that J. Edgar Hoover's demonstrated hatred of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was really a hatred of all black Americans and their struggle for full citizenship and that the illegal activities of the FBI were readily participated in and extended by racist local law enforcement officials.

Because such illegal activities on the part of local and federal law enforcement agencies strike at the very heart of our democratic process, heritage and traditions; and becuase what has been directed against the black communities can easily be directed against other ethnic and religious groups, labor and individuals and organizations holding unpopular views; the Watts Branch NAACP calls for:

1. An immediate end to all illegal and provocative covert activities by law enforcement agencies.
2. Creation of a special task force, independent of the Justice Department to fully investigate and report to the public the illegal activities of local and federal law enforcement agencies.
3. Compensation for the families of persons killed or injured as a result of the unrest and violence promoted by law enforcement agencies.

Cancer Society to Give Free Test

Women who cannot afford Pap smears and uterine examinations to detect cancer may be eligible for free examinations, according to the American Cancer Society.

Complete details will be furnished at an informal free presentation Tuesday morning, February 10 at Sound Health Association, 1112 So. Cushman. The session, sponsored by the cancer society, will begin at 10:30 and will last about an hour. It will also include films, demonstration of breast self-examination techniques and explanation of Pap test procedures. All women are invited.

The Tuesday program is part of a current health education effort involving federal, state and local health agencies and volunteer workers of the American Cancer Society.

According to the society, breast and uterine cancer are the most common cancer threats to women. Yet, both are detectable in very early stages by simple, regular examinations. When discovered and treated in time, both are considered curable, particularly cervical cancer.

Stadium High Alters Black History Activities

By Frankie J. Donahoe

Students of Stadium High School are in the process of rescheduling their activities for Black History Week (Feb. 9-Feb. 13). The Black History Play previously scheduled will not be held due to the unavailability of the school's stage. Props from "The Miracle Worker" are occupying the stage as they have been for the past two months. The recently scheduled activities include poetry reading, presentations of singers and an Afro-Princess selection.

Notice

By Roger O. Laskey

Cassia Lodge No. 5, Egyptian Lodge No. 44 and Lee Grant Rogers Lodge No. 61, are having their monthly Church Call on February 8, 1976 at Post Chapel #9, Building 1-A-2, North Fort Lewis, Washington. The public is invited.

Lincoln High School Class of 1956

Plans for a twenty-year reunion have been announced by George Haskins, Chairman. Members of the Lincoln High School Class of 1956 will hold their 20-year reunion on July 10, 1976, at the Greenwood Inn, Olympia, Washington.

Information about the reunion has been mailed to classmates whose addresses were known. If you have not received information about the reunion, please contact Mrs. Floyd Nowasky, (Judy Putman) or George Haskins.

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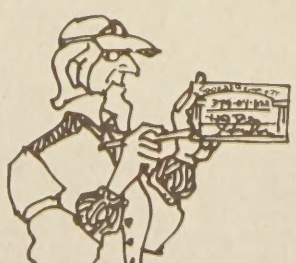

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Boys' Club News

BOYS' CLUB OF TACOMA ANNUAL MEETING

The Boys' Clubs of Tacoma and Pierce County had their Annual Meeting Friday, January 27, 1976, at the Fort Lewis Officers' Club. Incoming President for the Tacoma Boys' Club for the new year of 1976 is Mr. Willie C. Stewart, Principle of Lincoln High School. We would like to thank Bertil F. Johnson, our past President, for the fine job he did during the year of 1975 for our Club. From the staff and members of our Boys' Club, we thank you. Also at our Annual Meeting, Mrs. Ray Seales received the 'Good Egg Award' for her outstanding service and support over the past years at our Club.

PARENTS' CLUB DANCE

The Tacoma Boys' Club, Parents' Club had their first Annual Parents' Club Dance at the Rhodeway Inn on Saturday, January 31st. The Parents' Club would like to thank all of the parents of the community for supporting us and we'll be looking for you again next year. The 'Ready Made Family Band' played for the dance and we thank them for doing a fine job. Also at the dance, Mr. Gerald Baldwin, President of the Downtown Boys' Club, Parents' Club, received an award for his outstanding service and leadership as president over the years of 1973-76.

BASKETBALL

Last week's game scores:

TBC Boosters - 29 SEAA Birney - 33
Kevin Young made 12 points in losing battle.

TBC Lakers - 19 SEAA Union - 15
Mike Burrell scoring 15 points and Kelly George had 4 points and led in defense for the team.

TBC Ponys - 15 ESBC Chiros - 40
TBC Parents - 39 NEAA Stone - 35
TBC Jets - 30 Active - 16
TBC Caballeros - Lost, score unknown
TBC Blazers - Won, score unknown

Next week's schedule for Basketball Games:

TBC Boosters VS SEAA Erkers, Saturday, 1:30 p.m. at the Old Lincoln Gym.

TBC Parents Trojans VS WEAC Ducks, Saturday, 3:00 p.m. at the Truman Gym.

TBC Ponys VS ESPC Parents, Saturday, 1:00 p.m. at the Wilson Girls Gym.

TBC Lakers VS Fircrest Shooters, Tuesday, 6:45 p.m. at the Gault Gym.

TBC Jets VS Fircrest #1, Saturday, 10 :00 a.m. at the Truman Gym.

TBC Blazers VS TBC Caballeros, Saturday, 2:00 p.m. at the Baker Gym.

L.A. Mayor Cites Deltas For New Movie

Left to right: Mrs. Betty S. Williams, president of DST Telecommunications, Inc.; Mayor Tom Bradley; Dr. Jeanne Noble, national chairwoman of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's Arts and Letters Commission and Brad Garrett, Southern Pacific Region area manager of Miller Brewing Co.

Mayor Tom Bradley presents the Key to the City to Dr. Jeanne Noble, national chairwoman of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's Arts and Letters Commission, during a City Hall ceremony honoring the sorority for its newest media production, the soon to be released full-length motion picture "Countdown at Kusini". Looking on are Mrs. Betty S. Williams, president of DST Telecommunications, Inc., the sorority's audio-visual production subsidiary, and Brad Garrett, Southern Pacific Region area manager of the Miller Brewing Co. "Condown to Kusini", a topical drama of political intrigue and revolution in Africa, was filmed in Lagos, Nigeria, and stars Greg Morris, Rubye Dee and Ossie Davis. The movie will be released this spring by Columbia Pictures for mass distribution throughout the United States.

Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee Appearing In Tacoma

By Frankie J. Donahoe

The OBI Society of Tacoma Community College in conjunction with Program Board and Pacific Lutheran University UN Minority Affairs, are presenting Director Ossie Davis and his wife actress Ruty Dee. They will appear February 18, 1976 at PLU's East Vold Auditorium. The cost is $2.50 per person. Tickets may be purchased at the OBI or ASB office on the TCC Campus. The performance begins at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are also available at the Office of Minority Affairs on PLU's campus.

According to Ronald Coleman, Prime Minister of OBI, Black History Week (Feb. 9-Feb. 13) at Tacoma Community College will include the following presentations: Monday, Feb. 9, Poems by local artists and a play by Ron Jackson in addition to a Black Arts Exhibit; Tuesday, Feb. 10, McCarver Grade School and Lincoln High School will present poems, songs, and dances. Local gospel groups will also offer rendentions. On Wednesday, Feb. 11 Wilson High School and Washington High School will be featured. Thursday, Feb. 12, Fox Follies Productions presents the play "Red, White & Blues" ($1.00), a musical review of the current times. The week's activities will conclude with a soul food dinner ($1.00) with music and an art exhibit. The dinner will be held in the TCC Cafeteria from 11:30 to 1:30. The other activities will be held in the TCC Little Theatre from 11:30 to 2:30. Mr. James Ollee, OBI faculty advisor and the OBI members cordially invite the community to share in the week's activities.

License Tab Reminder

Motorists were reminded today that 1976 license tabs must be displayed on February 5 according to state license laws. Capt. William Luebke, Traffic Division Commander, said that after Wednesday, February 4 all 1975 license tabs would no longer be valid.

"We like to remind motorists in plenty of time for them to purchase their new tabs before the deadline," Luebke pointed out. "Reports thus far indicate a rather slow turnout at the County Auditor's office and at the various outlets throughout the area. If this keeps up until the end of the month, the lines of people waiting to buy tabs are going to be extremely long."

Luebke added that just having the tabs in your possession was not in compliance with the law. "They must be installed on the license plates to avoid a citation for expired licenses."

The fine for not having valid vehicle registration is ten dollars. To avoid the fine, Luebke said he hoped all motorists would take the time to purchase and install the tabs before the deadline.

Rangers To Train in Alaska

FORT LEWIS, WA. -- The 2nd Ranger Battalion will be the next Fort Lewis unit to fly to Alaska for combat training in arctic conditions.

A 1,200-man task force just returned from Exercise Jack Frost, and a battalion combat team of 1,100 soldiers spent nearly a month in Alaska in November and December.

An advance group from the Ranger unit departed early this week, and the 450-man main force will board C-141 jet transports at McChord AFB February 1. The exercise will run through March 18.

Troops from the 101st Airborne Division, based at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, a Special Forces unit and navy Seal teams will accompany the Rangers north.

The Rangers seldom go anywhere without making a parachute jump, and their Alaska venture will be no different. Each company and then the full battalion will jump--woth skis and snowshoes adding 30 pounds or so to each man's usual 60-pound load of weapon, pack and equipment.

Their akhios--arctic sleds--will be parachuted separately.

A Ranger officer said training will include testing the limitations of communications gear and weapons, perfecting cold weather tactics and methods, practicing survival techniques and small unit raids and other operations, and practice in cross-coun try travel on skis and snowshoes. A full-fledged field exercise, led off by the battalion jump, will cap the operations.

Training by the airborne, Special Forces and Navy units will be separate, except for some exchange of instruction in various foreign weapons.

Food Bank Needs Community Support

The community has been challenged to match an anonymous donation of $1000 a month in support of the Pierce County food banks.

The anonymous donor, who has given this amount each month for the past year, has pledged to continue the contribution for six more months.

The community's response to the challenge during the past 12 months has been to match the $1000 ard double it.

The money generated by this challenge is used primarily for bulk food purchases which are distributed among the 19 food banks operating within the coordinated FISH program in Pierce County.

Contributions to the anonymous donor fund combined with donations from church supported FISH Chapters enabled FISH to feed 65,409 individuals in 1975. Over 47,000 of these were children of low income or unemployed families.

FISH intends to continue operating its existing food bank system and extend its food and emergency service coverage to the outlying areas of Pierce County.

The organization hopes that the response from the community will be sufficient to enable the program to maintain its present level of service after the anonymous donation expires in July.

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Entertainment Review

By Roger O. Laskey

COLD, BOLD & TOGETHER brought a new sound, and new faces to the Amvets Hall last Friday and the young people had a wonderful time. The bands that drew the largest attendance yet will be battling it out again Saturday, February 7.....READYMADE FAMILY and SPICE OF LIFE. JOHAN'S WHALE has returned after three weeks in Canada. FRESH was the main attraction at the Ray Gibson Caballaros Club over the weekend. SPICE OF LIFE played Curtiss High School Saturday. Also, FLAVOR did an outstanding job Saturday at the Amvets Hall. I was not there to witness the affair because the Downtown Parents Club held its first annual dance at the Rodeway Inn. Music was provided by READYMADE FAMILY.

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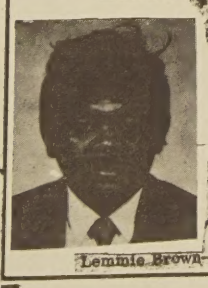
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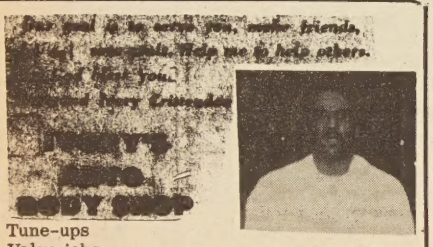

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The Wall Street West Report

by Abe Moore

The stock market has had a remarkable run-up since the dark days of late 1974 when the Dow Jones industrial average reached a low of 577.60. The average at closing last Friday was 975.28.

The Wall Street Journal reports that the stock market has soared spectacularly this year and some money managers think it can scale still higher peaks in 1976 with thrust from the economy's improving liquidity. "Given the liquidity rebuilding that's going on and likely to continue together with the Federal Reserve's contribution, we see equity prices climbing still higher over the longer term," says Frank Mastrapasqua, vice president and chief economist of American General Capital Management Inc.

First National City Bank lowered to 6¼% from 6 3/4% it's prime, or minimum, lending rate to corporate borrowers. But other major banks may resist cutting their fees due to a slight rise in short-term rates.

Citibank, New York's largest, had avoided lowering its base lending fee a week earlier by revising its often-changed prime rate formula. At the time the bank said it scuttled the old formula to resist a rate the banking industry might find inappropriate. Friday, only one smaller bank, Manufacturers Bank in Los Angeles, joined Citibank in announcing the lower lending fee.

ALout a week earlier, the much smaller First National Bank in St. Louis pared its prime rate to 6¼% from 7%, saying it expected bank lending rates to come down.

Meanwhile, rates on some short-term debt instruments in the open market edged slightly higher in quiet trading Friday. The latest 13-week Treasury bill, for example, closed at 4.71% bid, up from 4.65% bid Thursday. The companion 26-week issue increased to a bid of 4.98% from 4.92%.

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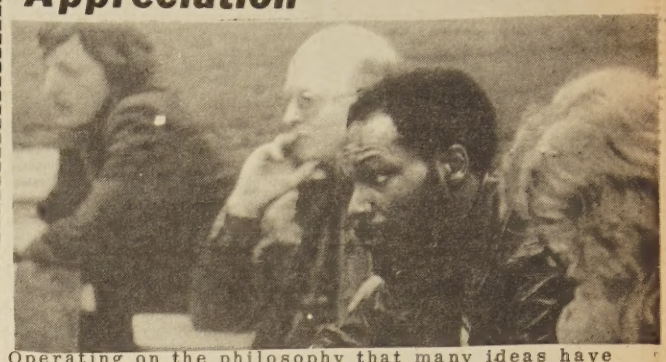

Operating on the philosophy that many ideas have more potential than a few, the small group discussion of the afternoon was facilitated by residents to discuss specific strategies of community involvement in the problems of prisons. The Multi-Service Center staff will compile the information generated in these groups as a guide for program planning in 1976. Anyone interested in a copy of this newsletter or further information, please contact:

Mr. Jack Ervin
Multi-Service Center
Washington State Reformatory
P.O. Box 777
Monroe, Washington 98272

Phone: 794-8077, Ext. 325

"Inside-Outside, Working Together", was the theme of a Community Sppreciation workshop and luncheon held at the Washington State Reformatory, Saturday, January 31st. Approximately 80 community guests and 80 resident group leaders attended the event to recognize the volunteer and organizing contributions of the past year and to build stratigies for the upcoming year. Superintendent Donald Look, addressed the group thanking the outside people for their involvement in Reformatory programs. Multi Service Center coordinator Kenneth Brown, spoke about the ideas and functions of resident self-help groups and improved communication with the outside world. The day's events were particularly noteworthy in reflecting a cooperative effort of 15 resident self-help groups including: the Multi-Service Center, the Resident Reform Council, Vista Jaycees, Los Mexicanos, the Drug Abuse Assistance Project, Alcoholics Anonymous, the Black Prisoners' Caucus, Indians of All Tribes, and the Nation of Islam.

Mr. Bill Hagens, research analyst for the state legislature was the keynote speaker and brought to the group the issues before the current session. Specifically, Mr. Hagens reported on the Department of Corrections progress in implementing the "mini-prisons" plan to provide smaller incarceration facilities primarily for the protection of inmates, managed in smaller groups.

Resident Mike Burrell and the culinary department organized the afternoon's luncheon of cold cuts. Entertainment was provided by Mr. Tony Boswell, comedian and the Ladre Ballet Academy, dancers, Sherie Quinton, Teresa O'Young and Bernice Funk.

Thirty-six community volunteers were presented with certificates of merit for an outstanding contribution in assisting resident programs.

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LEGAL NOTICE

On January 2, 1976, the Board of Pierce County Commissioners, as Prime Sponsors, gave public notice of application to Department of Labor for a Fiscal Year 1976 Fifth Quarter grant of $328,012. plus $15,686 additional deobligated categorical funds under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, Public Law 93-203 for the purpose of providing job training and employment opportunities for the economically disadvantaged, the unemployed and underemployed. The Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 has established a new federal fiscal year, starting October 1, 1976 through September 30, 1977. This shift from current July 1 to June 30, brings about a one-time transition period from July 1, 1976 through September 30, 1976. This will extend the Fiscal Year 1976 Manpower program (CETA I) to a fifteen month period.

By Minute Order #369, the Board of Pierce County Commissioners established guidelines for the distribution of the available funds to be allocated to the different components of the program as an extension of the present program activities.

1.	Classroom Training	- Adult	$ 65,708.
		- Youth	32,175.
2.	On-the-Job Training (OJT)	-	89,869.
3.	Work Experience	- Tribal	10,339.
		- Youth	10,575.
4.	Services to clients	-	52,306.
	Administration costs pro-rated to the above		24,769.
	Carry-out Projection	-	57,957.
			$ 343,698.

The goal is to serve 6,314 Pierce County Residents, which reflects an addition of 907 persons to be served through the Fifth Quarter funding. Within target groups, the planned total to be served through the Fifth Quarter, will be:

Vietnam Veterans	780
Youth (14-21)	3,179
Ex-offenders	869
Minority Head of Family	421
Female Head of Family	529
Disadvantaged Head of Household	2,001
Public Assistance Recipient	875
Workers over 55	161
Handicapped	134
Limited English	748

The completed Modification #10 to the grant application will be available for review at the Manpower office, 705 South 9th, Suite 302---Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30. Comments may be directed to the Board of Pierce County Commissioners, 1046 County-City Building.

By ORDER of the Board of Pierce County Commissioners, dated January 19th, 1976.

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